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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
**K. Togawa, et al.**

Serial No.: 10/533,539

Art Unit: 1641

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Examiner: J. Diramio

For: **Plasma Or Serum Separation Membrane And Filter Apparatus Including  
The Plasma Or Serum Separation Membrane**

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121**

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the restriction requirement mailed October 18, 2006, in the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby elect Group II, Claims 6-8, 11-15 and 17, directed to a filter apparatus.

It is respectfully submitted that the above is fully responsive to the outstanding Restriction Requirement. Further, it is respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for examination on the merits and early action and allowance thereof is accordingly respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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